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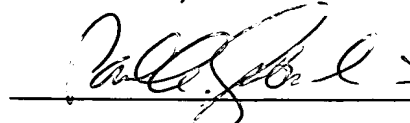
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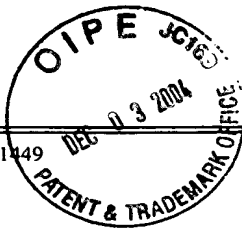
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	S	Stahl Brochure -Grand Challenger, Service Bodies, dated 2/02					
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R	<i>Side-view of Royal's prior art design, showing hinged outer side panel opening upward to expose storage compartment underneath, Fig 4.</i>
S	<i>Side-view of Royal's prior art design, showing hinged outer side panel that could open upward to expose storage compartment underneath, Fig 6.</i>

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	K	US 2001/0013709 A1	08/16/2001	Clare et al.			
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	M	US 2001/0038218 A1	11/08/2001	Clare et al.			
	N	US 2001/0038219 A1	11/08/2001	Clare et al.			
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	R	<i>GM's prior art design</i> , also showing hinged outer side panel opening upward to expost storage compartment underneath, Fig 2., date unknown
	S	<i>Ford's prior art design</i> , showing hinged outer side panel opening downward to expose storage compartment underneath. date unknown.

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P	Fig. 1 of U.S. Patent No. 3,727,971, Fig. 1 of U.S. Patent No. 4,705,317, Fig. 1 of U.S. Patent No. 5,303,969, Delta Storage Box from 1991 Delta Catalog.	
Q	1991 Avalanche Storage Compartments, Avalanche Box and Delta Box	
R	Prototype called "Old Blue", date unknown.	

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